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## STATEMENT ASSERTING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Assignee of the above-identified issued patent asserts that they are entitled to small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27(a)(2) as a small business; and further asserts they have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and are under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person, concern, or organization which would not qualify for small entity status as a person, small business concern, or nonprofit organization.

Accordingly, the maintenance fees for the above-identified issued patent will be paid at the small entity rate, beginning with the 7.5 year maintenance fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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